

Division Director

## State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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September 5, 1991

Mr. S. Bryce Montgomery 3512 South 100 East Bountiful, Utah 84010

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Patented Mineral Survey #6519 and Monty Claims Nos. 1-8 Project, S/045/033, Tooele County, Utah

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on July 29, 1991. The application for the proposed Patented Survey #6519 and Monty Claims Nos. 1-8 Project, located in the SE 1/4 of Section 2, the NE 1/4, the SE 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of Section 11, T2S, R7W, SLBM is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

Your request for variance from rule R613-003-109.1.11 and R613-003-108 have been evaluated and are approved with the following conditions:

- (1) Existing tunnels and shafts that are reworked by the operator must be secured such that unauthorized entry is prohibited. Temporary closure/indefinite suspension cannot exceed the provisions as outlined under rule R613-003-112 (copy enclosed).
- (2) Temporary sealing of drill holes to allow future re-entry for geophysical monitoring cannot be approved for an indefinite time period. A two-year timeframe is hereby established. Further extensions must be requested and justified in writing to the Division upon the two-year anniversary date.

For your reference, I have also enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

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Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between this Division and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requires us to notify them upon receipt of a mining application. If you haven't already done so, you are advised to contact their office prior to starting your small mining operation to determine whether additional permits and/or approvals are required. We will forward a copy of this letter and your notice to the DEQ for their review. Their address and phone number is: Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116, (801) 538-6121.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

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Minerals Regulatory Program

jb Enclosure

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